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Country: USSR (Lithuanian SSR)

Subject: Evacuation of Civilians from Nida and Yuodkrante/Kintai Coast Guard Installation/Loss of Soviet Submarine

Place Acquired: [redacted] 50X1

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Date Acquired: 7 May 1953

Date of Info: March- April 1953

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Source: [redacted]

1. "The seaports of Nida and Yuodkrante on the Gulf of Kurisches, west of Klaipeda, have been evacuated of civilian population. This information is dated late April 1953. The evacuees were mostly harbor workers and their families. Since the end of March 1953 both localities have been totally isolated from the outside world.

2. "At Kintai, on the frontier of Lithuania and East Prussia, there is a post of Sea Guards which is equipped with radio station, radar control and armed motor boats.

3. "A Soviet submarine, made in Germany, sank during a training cruise in the vicinity of the ports of Baltiysk (Pillau) and Nida between 23 and 26 March 1953 (the exact date was not given.) Of the crew of 60 men, only 18 were saved. This was the fourth accident on the Baltic since the beginning of 1953. The first two occurred in Estonian waters and the third in the Gulf of Finland."

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